

# Initial State Helicity Correlation in Wide Angle Compton Scattering *E05-101*

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# Outline

- Introduction

- Theoretical Motivation

Why do we want to do this experiment?

- Experimental Technique

How we will do the experiment?

- Beam Request

What did we request from the PAC?

Physics goals of this experiment complement those of E99-114 and benefits from its experience with the RCS experimental technique.

# Real Compton Scattering: Introduction

- Key element in Program of Hard Exclusive Reactions

RCS

Elastic Form Factors

DVCS

DVMP

- Common issues:

interplay between hard and soft processes

Onset of asymptotic regime

Role of hadron helicity flip

- Uniqueness

■ Vary both  $s$  and  $t$       ■ Weighting of quarks,  $e_q^2$

■ independent integral of GPD's,  $\chi^{-1}$

# Real Compton Scattering: Introduction

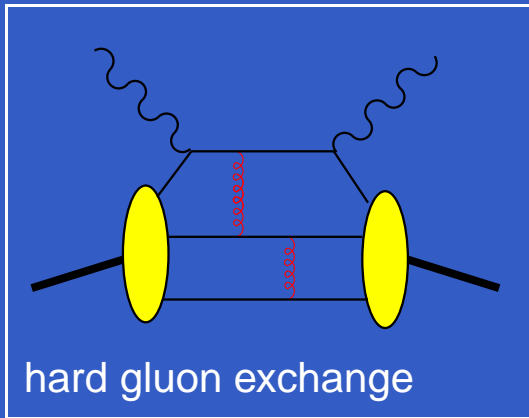
Compton Scattering off nucleons provides information on the substructure of nucleon in terms of quark and gluon d.o.f.  $\rightarrow$  extremely complicated

Compton scattering in various kinematical regions

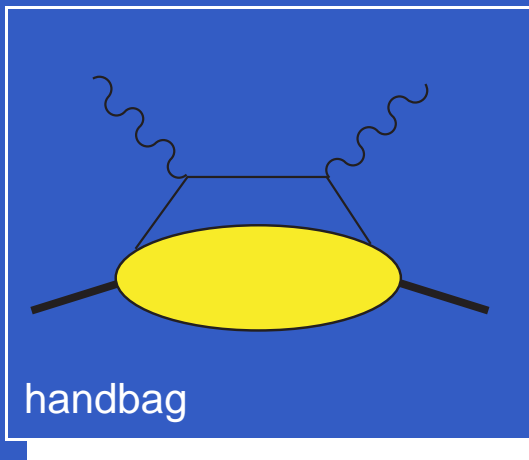
- low energy  
 $\rightarrow$  dominated by nucleon as a whole
- deeply virtual CS; low  $|t|$ , large  $Q^2$   
 $\rightarrow$  handbag diagram involving skewed parton distributions
- 'wide angle' CS; low  $Q^2$ , large  $|t|$  and  $s$  ensures dominance of short distance behaviour

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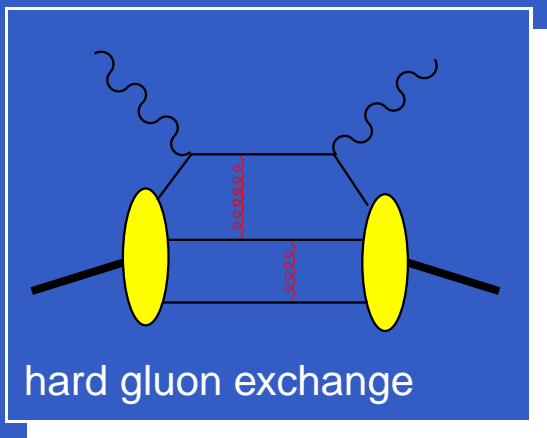
- 3 active quarks
- 2 hard gluons
- 3-body "form factor"



- 1 active quark
- 0 hard gluons
- 1-body "form factor"

- Which, if either, dominates at few GeV?
- **We will be able to distinguish among the competing mechanisms.**

# Asymptotic (pQCD) Mechanism



Brodsky/Lepage  
Kronfeld, Nizic  
Vanderhaeghen, Guichon  
Brooks, Dixon, ...

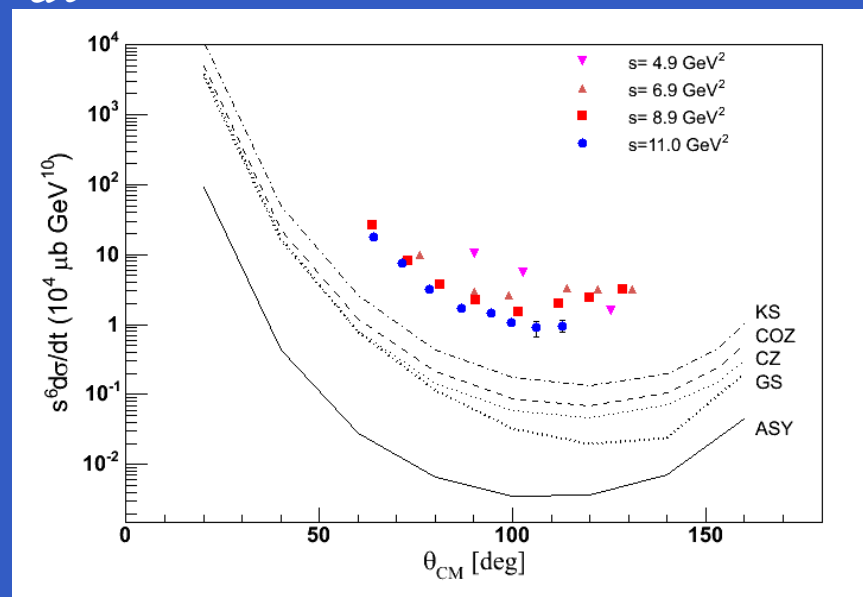
- momentum shared by hard gluon exchange
- 3 active quarks
- valence configuration dominates
- soft physics in distribution amplitudes,  $\Phi(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ ,  $\Phi(y_1, y_2, y_3)$
- constituent scaling:  $\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = f(\theta_{CM})/s^6$
- Must dominate at "sufficiently" high energy(?)
- Has predictions for polarization observables,  $K_{LL} = A_{LL}$

# Constituent Scaling

$$\gamma p \rightarrow \gamma p$$

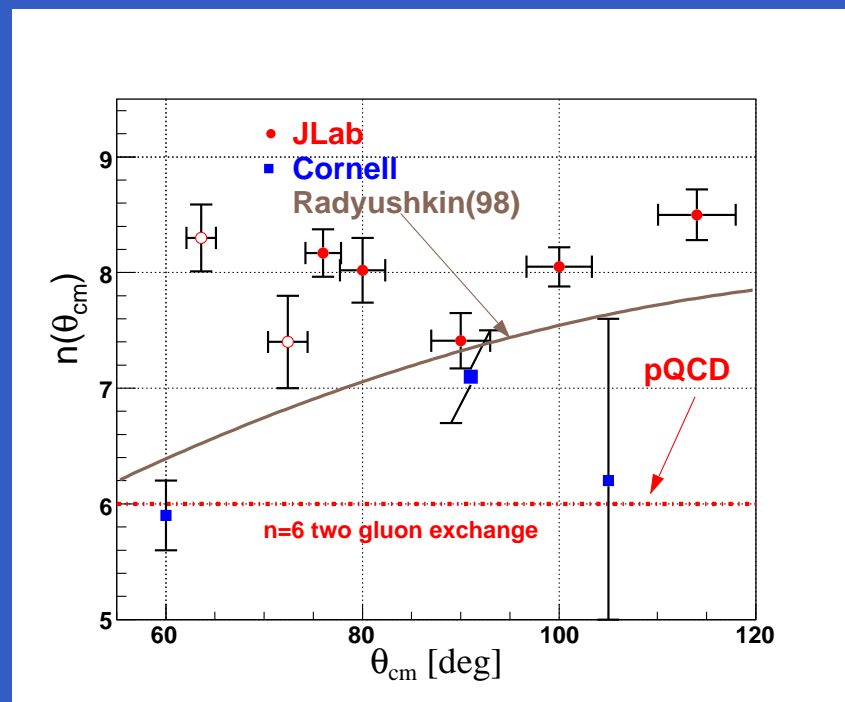
Approximate scaling

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = f(\theta_{CM})/s^6$$



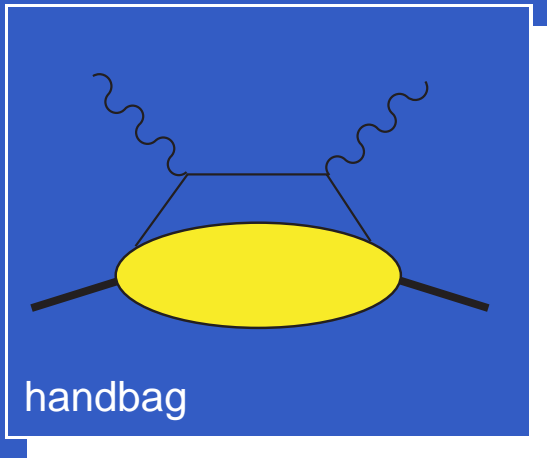
Brooks&Dixon Phys.Rev.D62:114021,2000

Cornell data approximately support scaling but ...



Asymptotically we expect pQCD to be dominant, but when?

# Handbag Mechanism for $(s, -t, -u) \gg M^2$



Radyushkin

Diehl, Feldman, Jakob, Kroll

- One active parton
- Momentum shared by soft overlap
- Feynman mechanism

struck quark nearly real ( $x \sim 1$ ) (co-linear with proton)

- Form factor like expression

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \Big|_{KN} f(t)$$

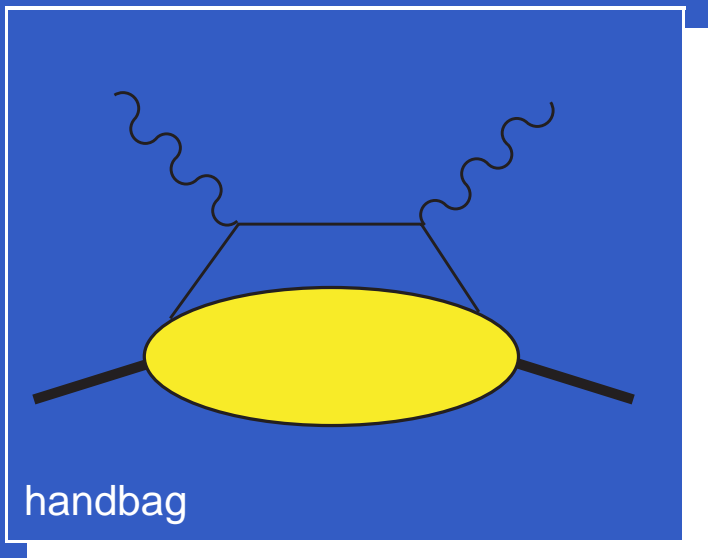
- Straightforward predictions for polarization observables



# Handbag Approach and GPD's

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- Factorize into hard scattering on single quark and moments of GPD's at skewness  $\xi = 0$
- hard scattering: Klein-Nishina from nearly on-shell parton
- Soft physics: Compton form factors  $R_V(t)$ ,  $R_A(t)$  and  $R_T(t)$  relating emission and reabsorption of struck quark in the proton

Compton form factors:

$$R_V(t) = \sum_a e_a^2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x} H^a(x, 0, t)$$

$$R_A(t) = \sum_a e_a^2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x} \text{sign}(x) \hat{H}^a(x, 0, t)$$

$$R_T(t) = \sum_a e_a^2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{x} E^a(x, 0, t)$$

Elastic form factors:

$$F_1(t) = \sum_a e_a \int_{-1}^1 dx H^a(x, 0, t)$$

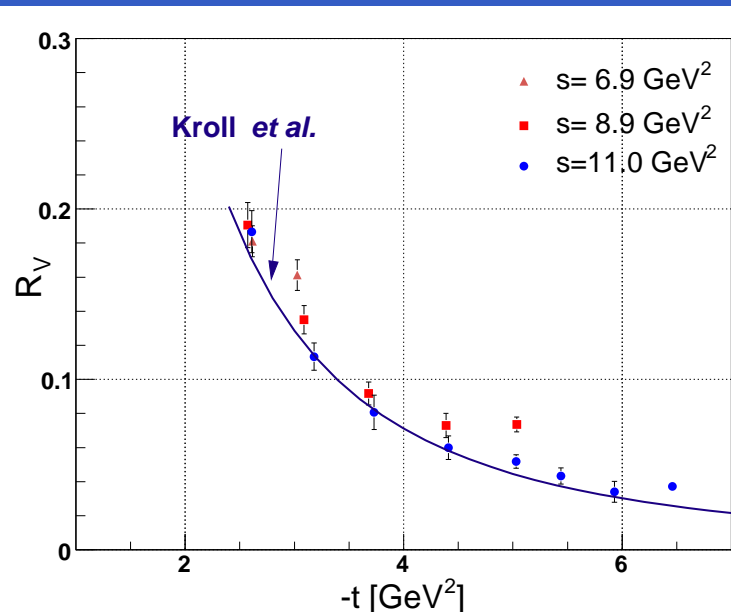
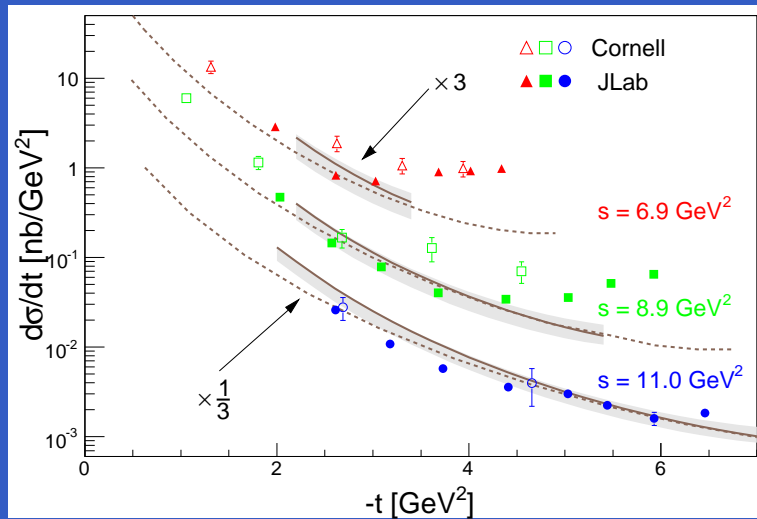
$$G_A(t) = \sum_a \int_{-1}^1 dx \text{sign}(x) \hat{H}^a(x, 0, t)$$

$$F_2(t) = \sum_a e_a \int_{-1}^1 dx E^a(x, 0, t)$$

# Handbag Predictions for WACS

## Cross section from E99-114

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{KN}}}{dt} \left[ f_V R_V^2(t) + (1 - f_V) R_A^2(t) \right]$$

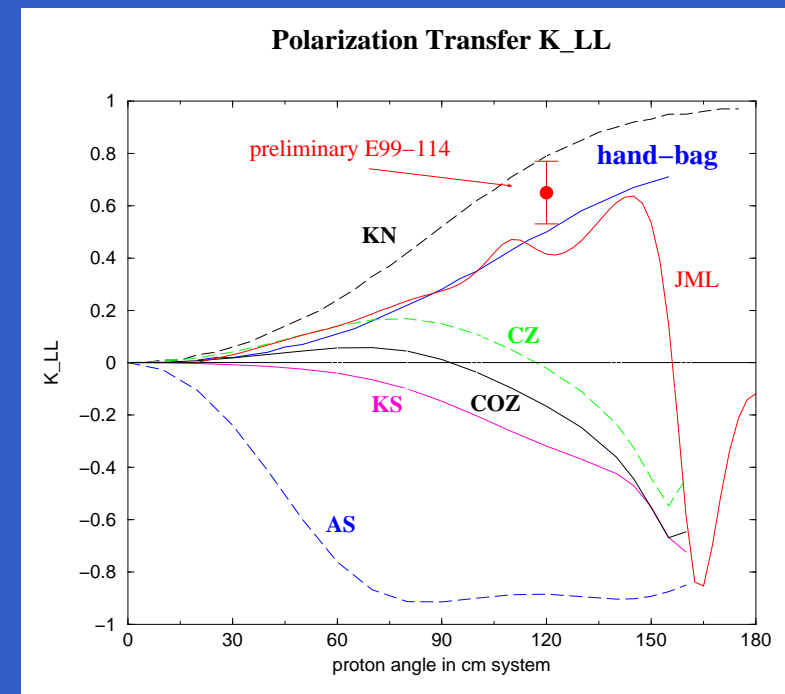


## Polarization Observables

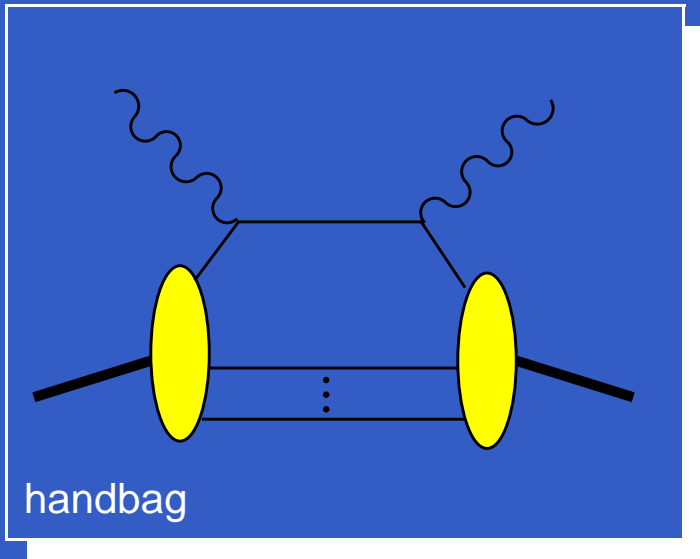
$$A_{LL} \frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{d\sigma(++)}{dt} - \frac{d\sigma(+-)}{dt} \right]$$

$$A_{LL} = K_{LL} \approx K_{LL}^{\text{KN}} \frac{R_A(t)}{R_V(t)}$$

Related to  $\frac{\Delta u}{u}$  at moderate to high  $x$ .



# Handbag in CQM



Miller in IA approximation of handbag.

Massive quark

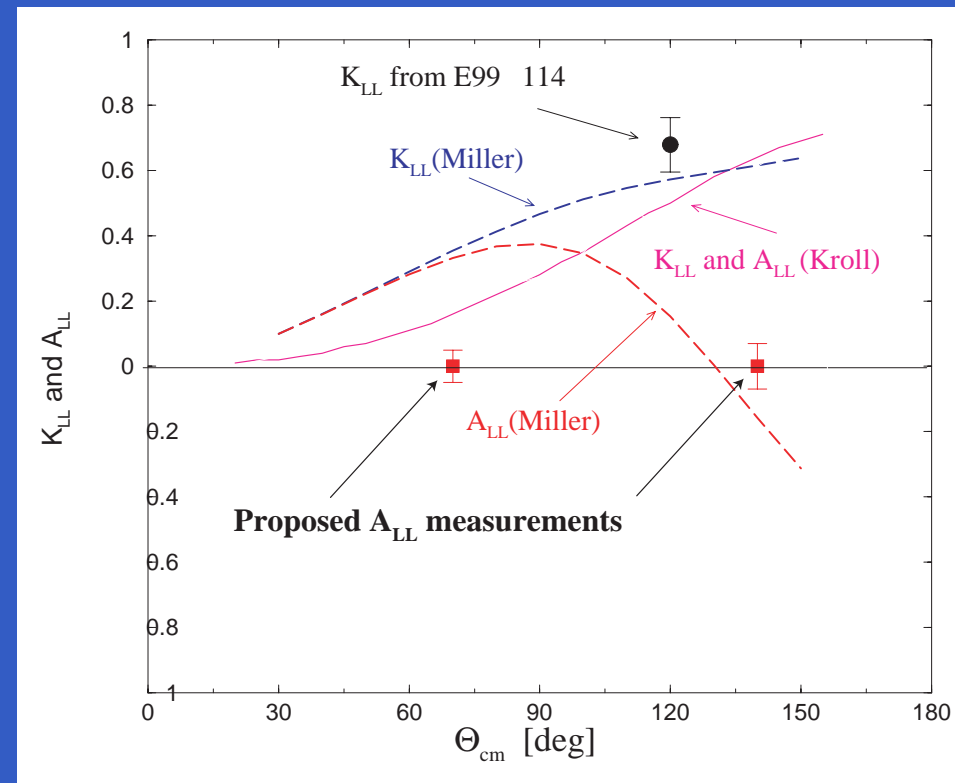
Model wave function same as for E/M  
form factors

Orbital angular momentum and  
nonconservation of proton helicity

Good agreement with cross section data

But  $A_{LL} \neq K_{LL}$ , backward angles

$A_{LL} \simeq -K_{LL}$



# Physics Goals

- Measure  $A_{LL}$  (never been measured) at two scattering angles:

$$\theta_{\gamma}^{CMS} = 70^{\circ} \text{ corresponding to } -t = 2.4 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

$$\theta_{\gamma}^{CMS} = 140^{\circ} \text{ corresponding to } -t = 6.4 \text{ (GeV/c)}^2$$

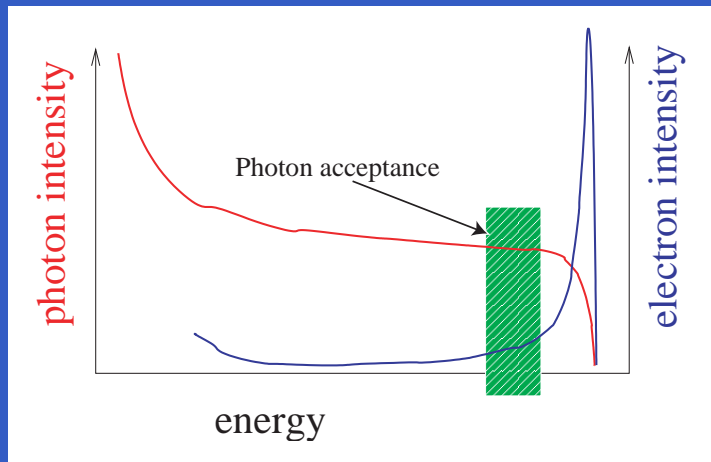
- Provide an experimental test of the RCS reaction mechanism: does the photon interact with a constituent or a current quark?
- Provide an additional test for hadron helicity conservation and pQCD

# Experimental Layout

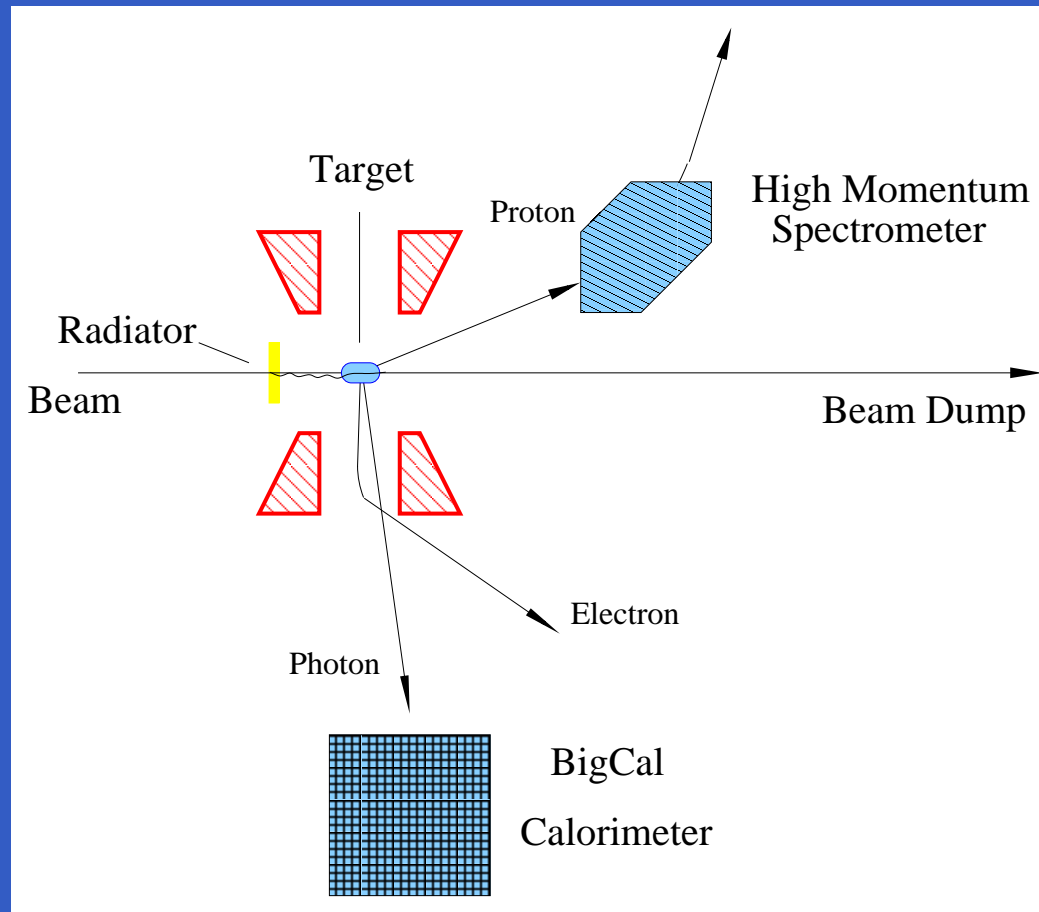
## Kinematic Range

$$E_\gamma = 4.3 \text{ GeV}, s = 9 \text{ GeV}^2$$
$$\theta^{\text{cms}} = 70^\circ, 140^\circ$$

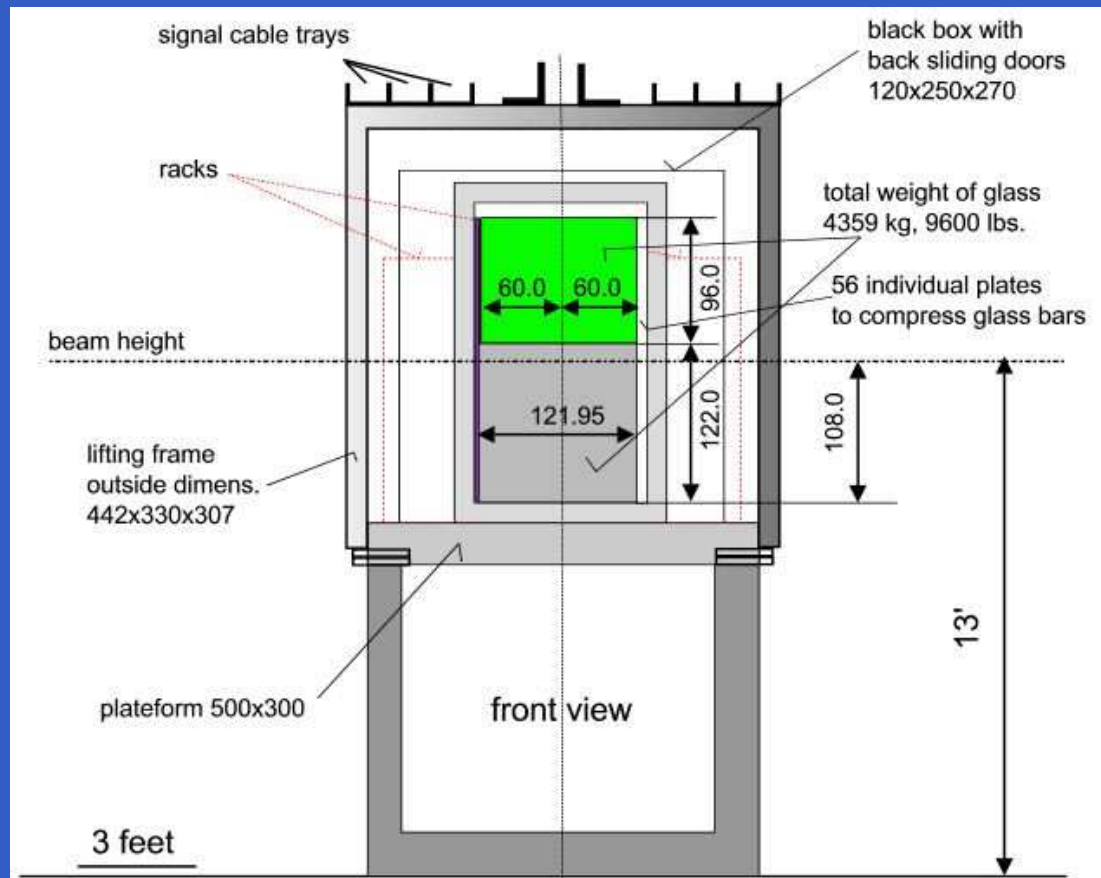
- mixed  $e - \gamma$  beam
  - $e - p$ /RCS
  - discrimination needed
  - control of backgrounds
- good angular resolution
- Polarized target



Require HMS trigger only



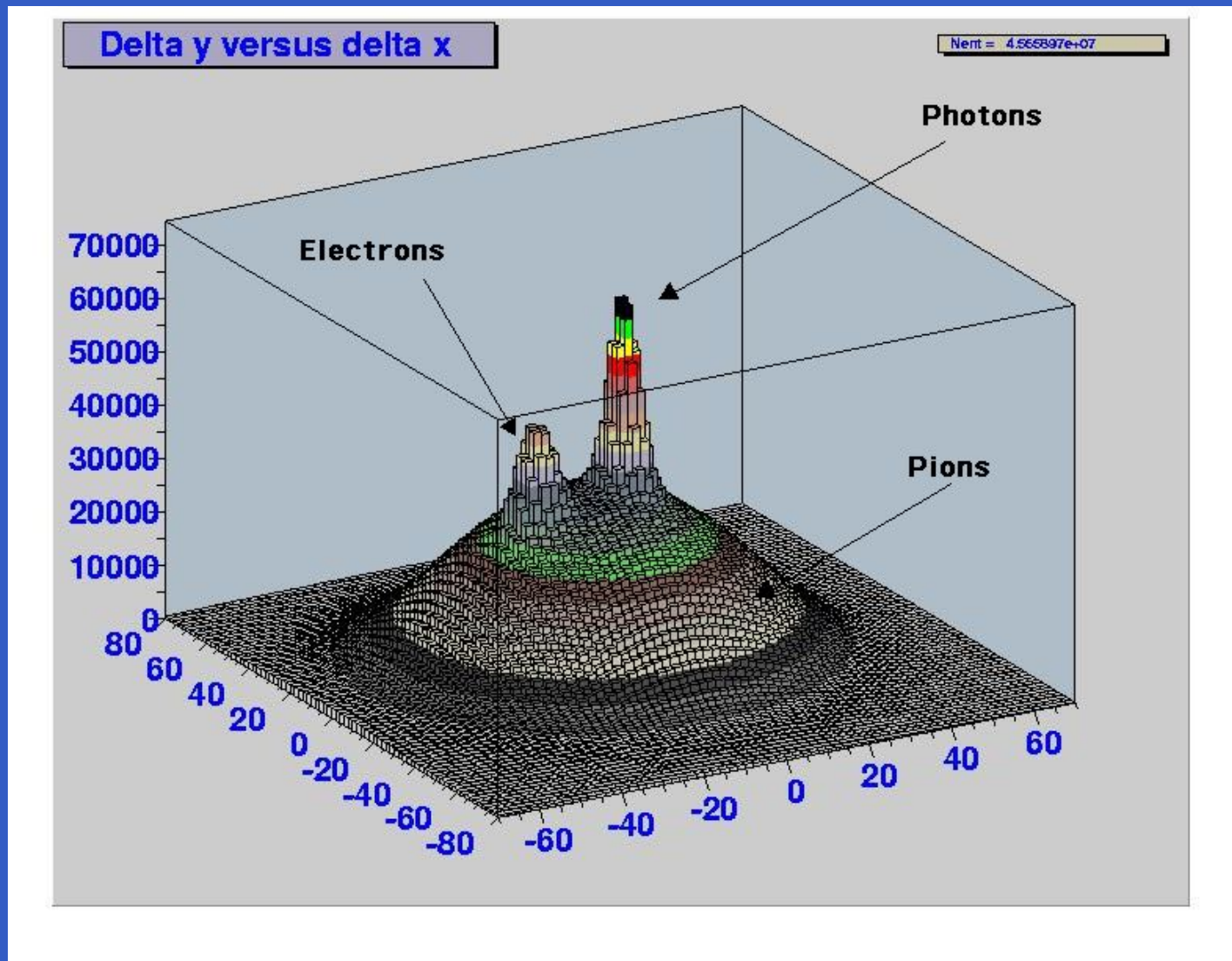
# Calorimeter



- 1750 lead glass blocks, TF-1 type
- Arranged as 56 rows in 32 columns
- Approximately 1.2 meters by 2.1 meters
- Built by GEP-III, to be used by SANE and SemiSANE (BETA) and E03-003

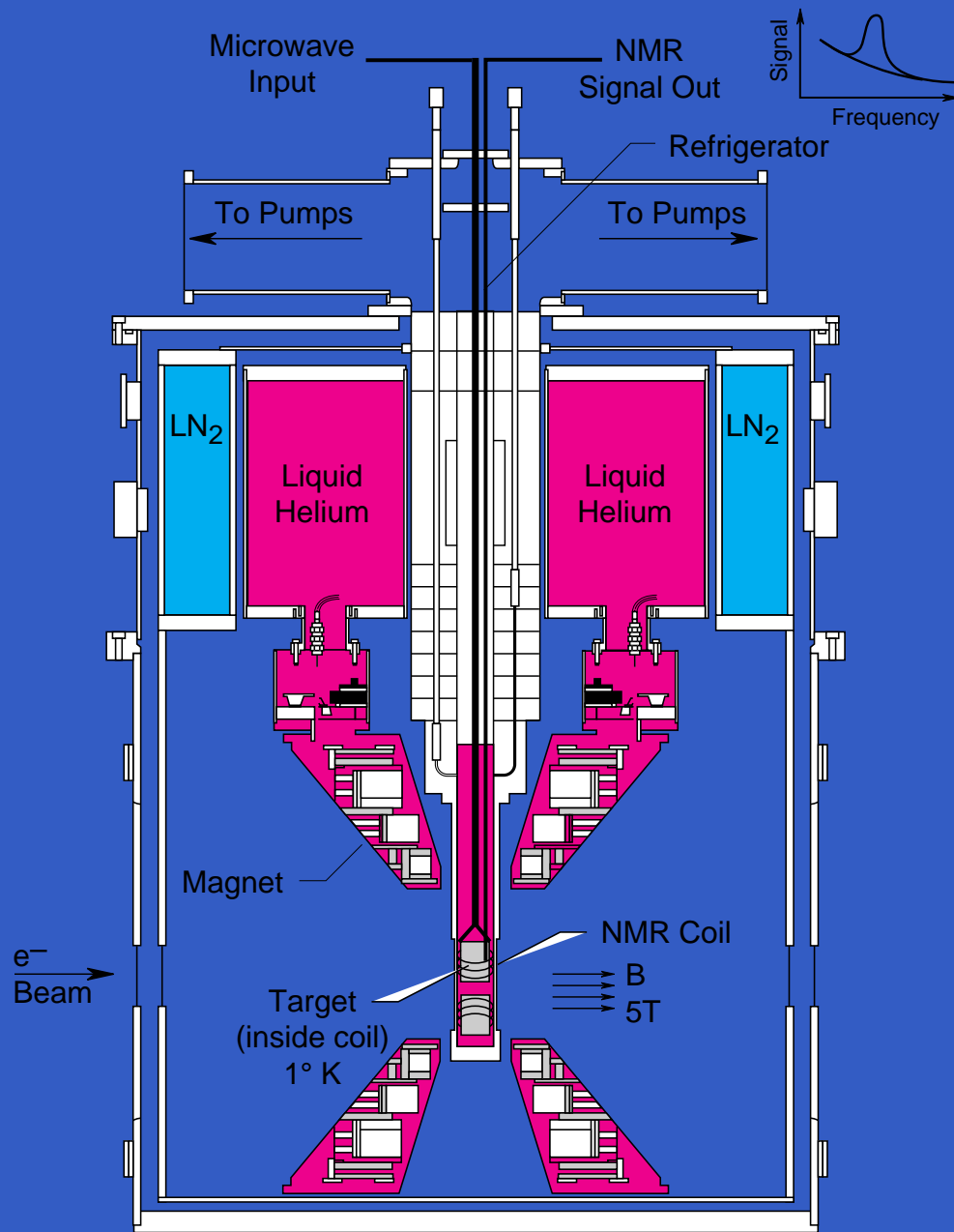
# Discrimination of $e - p/\text{RCS}$

Deflection of electrons by magnetic field.

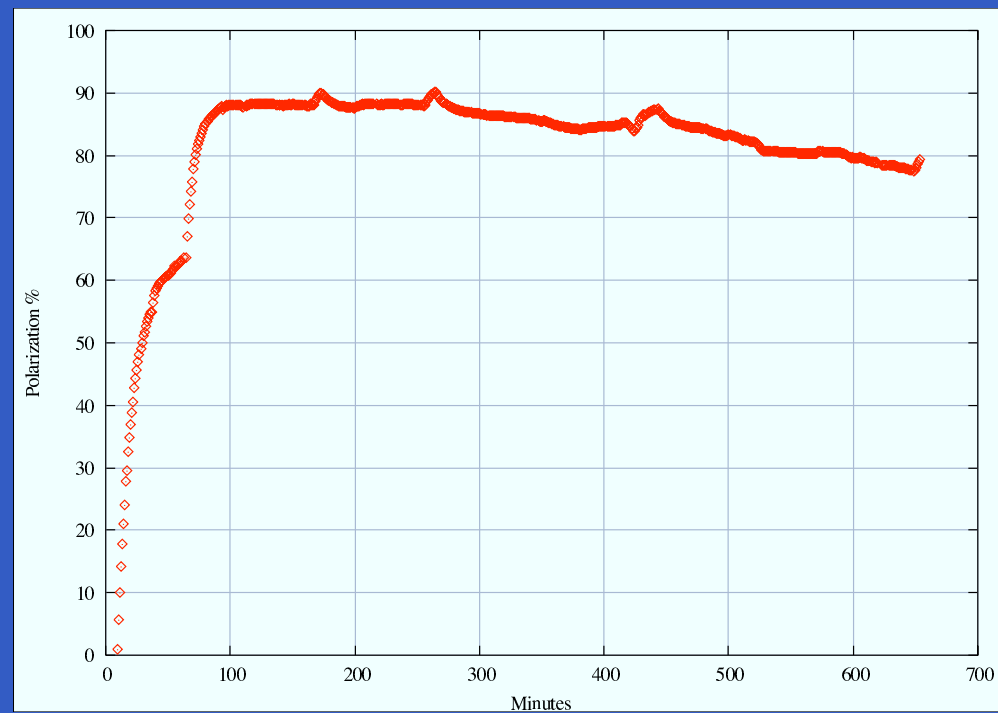




# Polarized Target



- frozen(doped) NH<sub>3</sub>
- <sup>4</sup>He evaporation refrigerator
- 5T polarizing field
- remotely movable insert
- dynamic nuclear polarization





# Kinematics

kin. P#	$t$ (GeV/c) <sup>2</sup>	$\theta_{\gamma}^{\text{lab}}$ degree	$\theta_{\gamma}^{\text{cm}}$ degree	$\theta_p^{\text{lab}}$ degree	$E_{\gamma}^{\text{lab}}$ GeV	$p_p$ GeV/c	L m
P1	-2.4	25	70	39	3.00	2.02	7.0
P2	-6.4	82	140	12	0.87	4.25	2.5

kin. P#	$\theta_{\gamma}^{\text{lab}}$ degree	$t$ (GeV/c) <sup>2</sup>	$\theta_{\gamma}^{\text{cm}}$ degree	$\frac{d\Omega_{\gamma}}{d\Omega_p}$	D	$N_{\text{RCS}}$ total	$\Delta A_{\text{LL}}$
P1	25	-2.4	70	0.58	1.6	1850	0.05
P2	82	-6.4	140	24.5	5.5	3250	0.07

kin. P#	$\theta_v^e$ degree	$\theta_v^p$ degree	HMS degree	p(proton) GeV/c	$\theta^{\text{rms}}$ mrad
1	1.7	4.1	39	2.02	1.75
2	15.4	0.6	12	4.25	0.83

# Beam Request

Kin. P#	Procedure	beam, nA	time hours
P1	BigCal calibration	1000	8
P1	RCS data taking	90	176
P2	RCS data taking	90	240
	Packing Fraction Measurements	90	16
	Moller Measurements	200	18
	Beam Time		458
	BigCal angle change		8
	Target Anneals		52
	Stick Changes		36
	Overhead Time		96
	Requested Time		506

# Error Budget

Asymmetry measurement relaxes demands on some systematic error sources (solid angles etc) which cancel but requires attention to others. The largest sources are:

Target polarization	2%
Beam polarization	2%
$\pi^0$ subtraction(shape)	3%
$e\gamma$ subtraction	1%
Total	4.2%

# Conclusions

- Experiment straightforward - based on experimental data and extensive experience.
- Test onset of handbag approach in terms of GPD's.
- Positive indications for handbag allows extraction of non-perturbative structure of hadrons in form of GPD's.
- Explore role of finite quark masses in polarization observables.
- Shed light on nature of quark helicity flip processes.
- As byproduct  $A_{LL}^{\pi}$  will also be measured.
- Scheduling with SANE and Semi-SANE captures setup savings.

## PAC 28 Recommendation

*Merely due to lack of available beam time, the PAC recommends that only the kinematic point in the backward hemisphere be measured.*

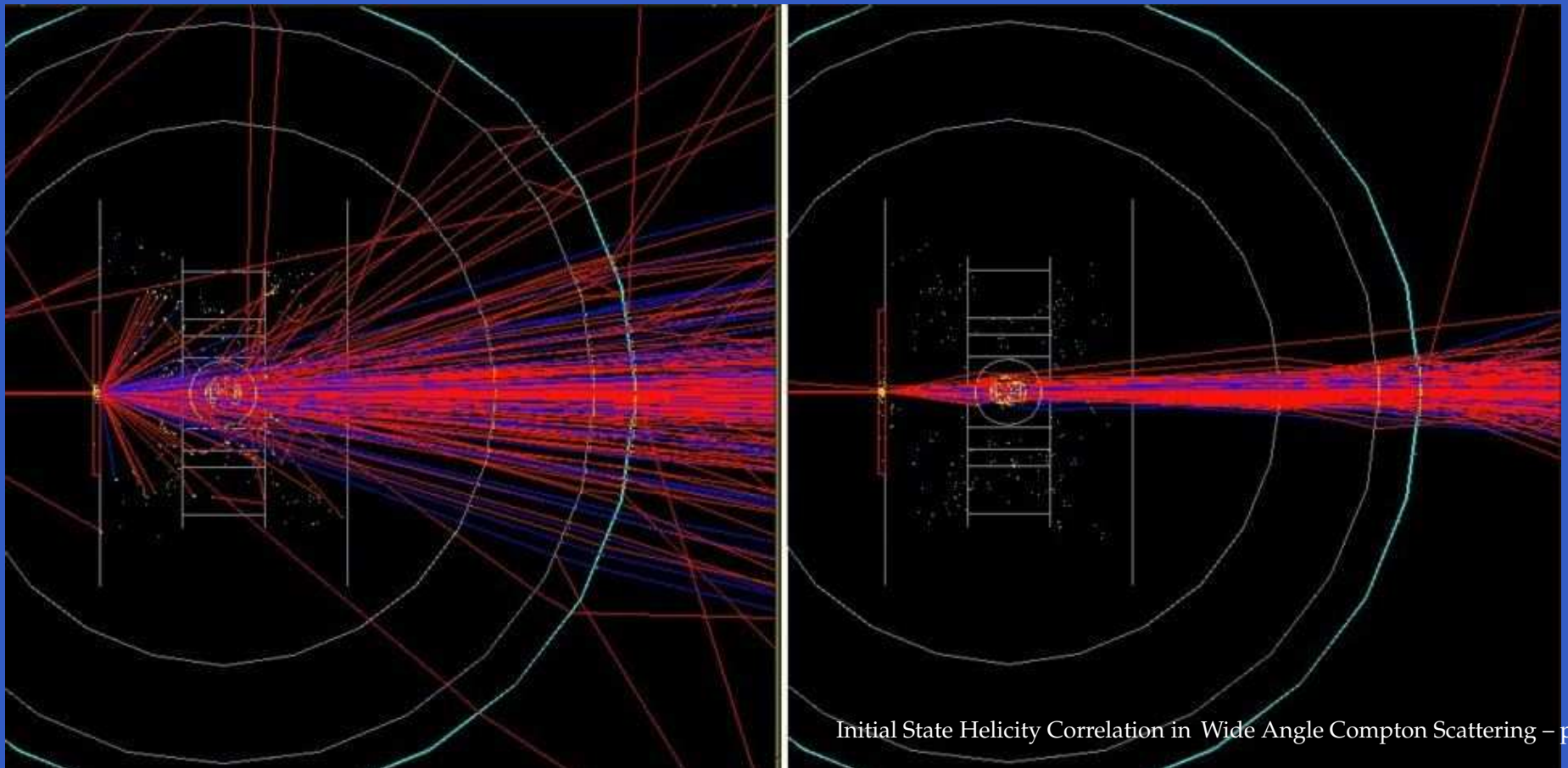
*Approved with A<sup>-</sup> rating for 14 days.*

# Simulation

- Presence of radiator creates unique conditions
  - ◆ Beam blows up
  - ◆ Large number of secondary particles (electrons, photons) - implications for rates in calorimeter; where to place shielding.
  - ◆ Include target magnetic field
- Physics backgrounds
  - ◆ Elastic electron scattering
  - ◆ Quasielastic electron scattering
  - ◆  $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$  from proton and target materials
  - ◆ Include target magnetic field

# Status

- GEANT4 - Justin Wright, UVA graduate student
- Electromagnetic part moving along well
- Second part hindered by lack of the physics in GEANT4
- Also by our unfamiliarity with the standard practice for incorporating new physics.

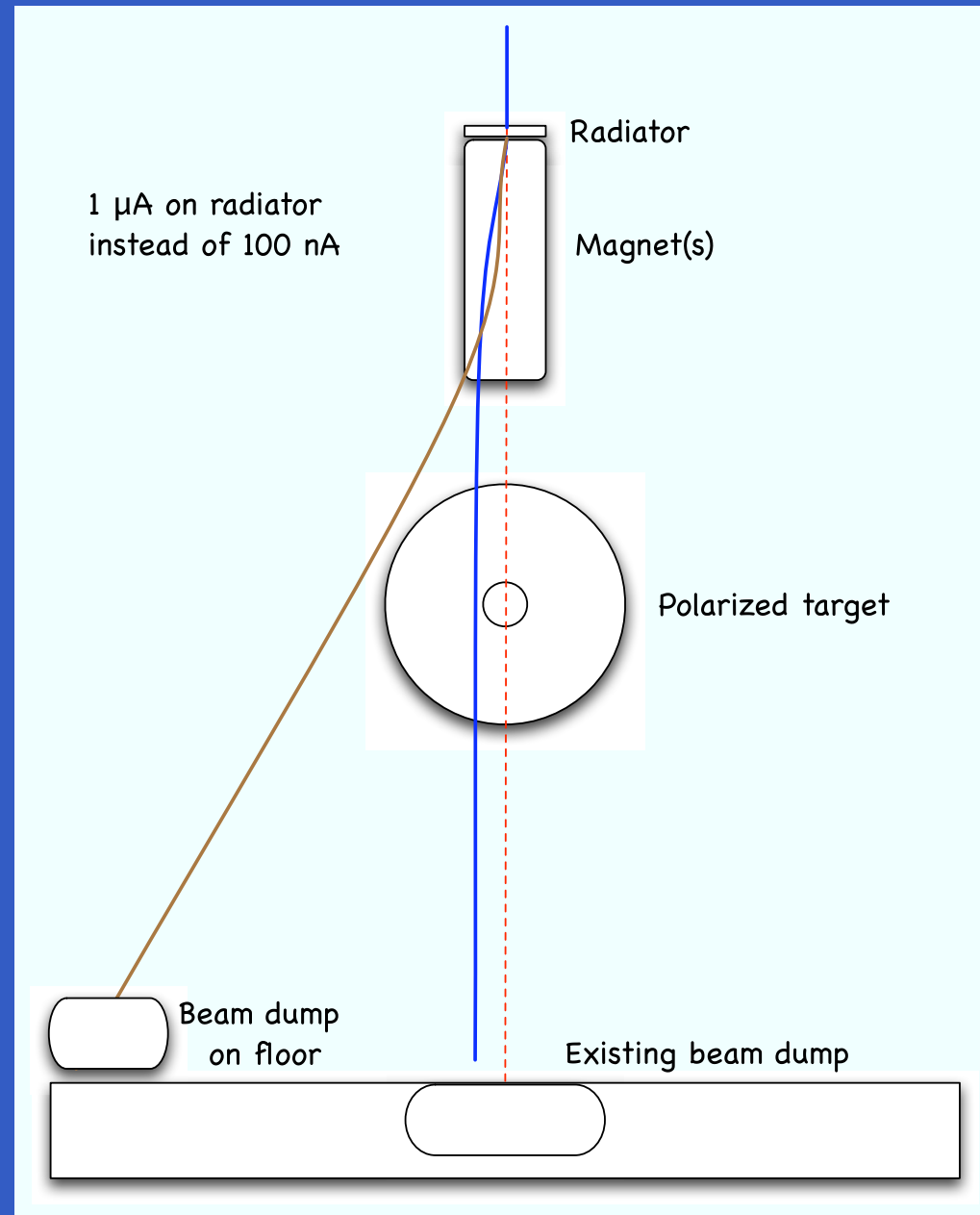


# GEANT4 Simulation

- Geometry
  - ◆ Upstream beam pipe
  - ◆ Downstream beam pipe (Helium bag or flaring Aluminum tube)
  - ◆ Upstream copper radiator (10%)
  - ◆ Target can (simplified), including the target cell and magnet
  - ◆ Big Cal
  - ◆ Simple plane detectors to represent the solid angle openings of the Calorimeter and the HMS
- Fields
  - ◆ The target magnet's field (read in from a table)
- Electromagnetic processes as currently implemented by the Geant4 collaboration
  - ◆ Electron Ionization
  - ◆ Electron Bremsstrahlung
  - ◆ Photo Electric Effect
  - ◆ Compton Scattering (from electron)
  - ◆ Pair Production
  - ◆ Annihilation
- Data collection and analysis
  - ◆ Each primary electron represents a single event
  - ◆ All daughter particles are tracked fully
  - ◆ All physical objects can be treated as perfect detectors, recording all interactions
  - ◆ Separate code converts this data into root trees or paw ntuples



# Pure Photon Beam



# Details

HMS resolution	$< 0.1\%$
HMS acceptance	$\pm 27(\text{h}) \pm 70(\text{v}) \text{ mr}$
HMS $\frac{\Delta p}{p}$	$\pm 9\%$
Angle Resolution	0.9 mr (h) 0.9 mr(v)
HMS vertex resolution	$\pm 1 \text{ mm}$
Photon fluence	$\frac{dk}{k} (0.10 + 0.018 + 0.01)$
BigCal block sizes	$4 \times 4 \text{ cm}$
BigCal $\sigma_E$	$5\%/\sqrt{E}$
BigCal	$1.2 \times 2.1 \text{ m}$
Möller	$< 1.5\%$
Target thickness	$1.5 \text{ g/cm}^2$ of NH <sub>3</sub> , 0.3 of He
Multiple scattering	1.7 (P1), 0.8 (P2) mr

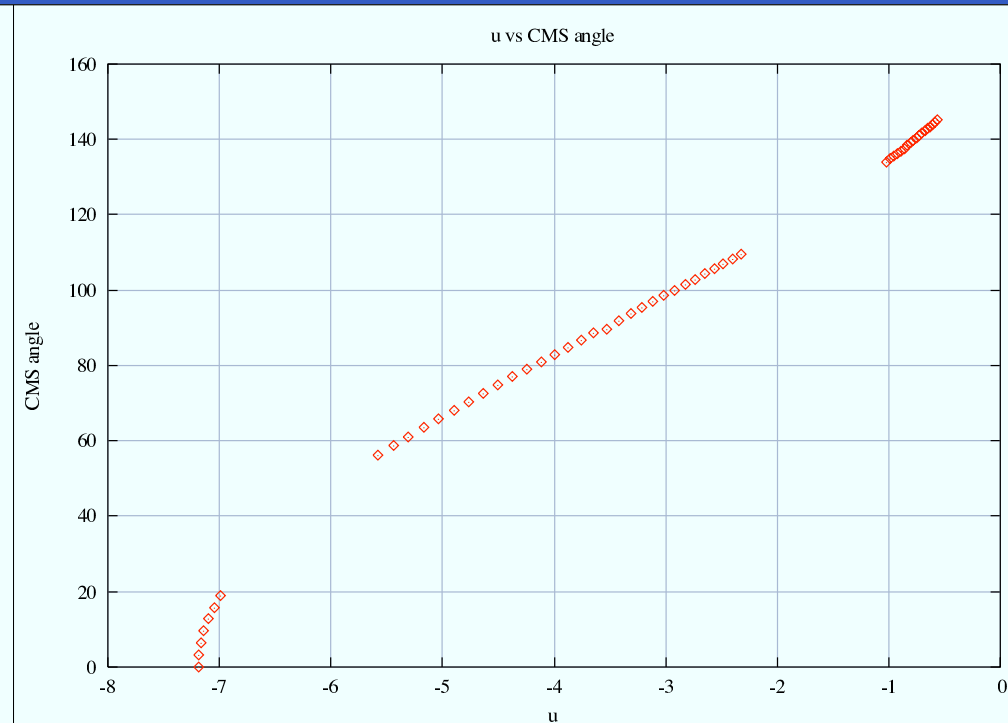
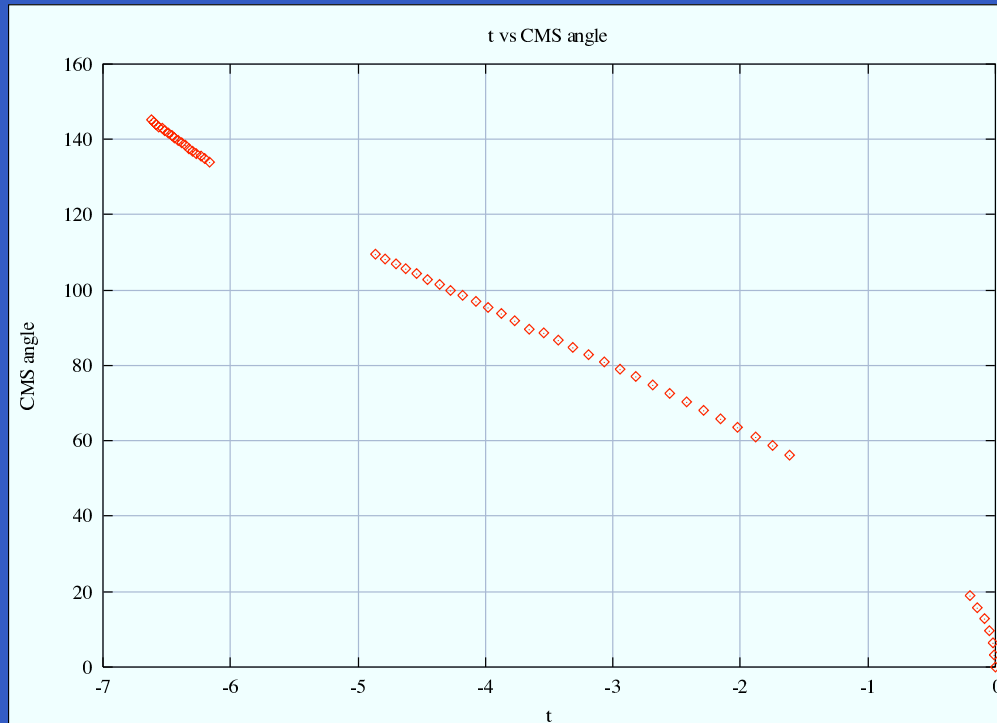
Lucite Cerenkov hodoscope

	thick cm	horiz. cm	vert. cm	#
x	1.25	80	12.5	16
y	2.5	12.5	160	8

10 p.e. 11% r.l.,  $\chi^{\text{rms}} = 3.6 \text{ cm}$

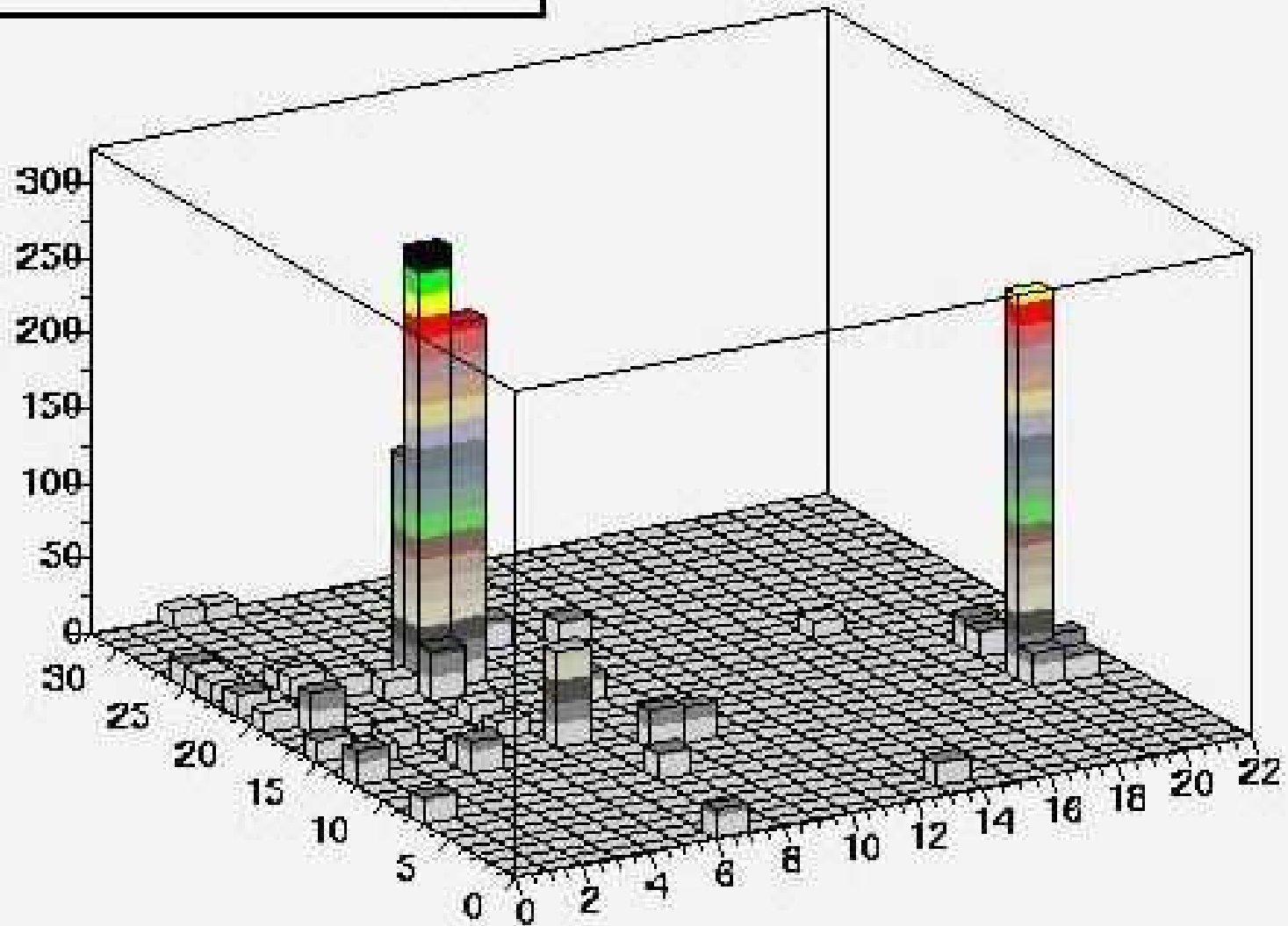
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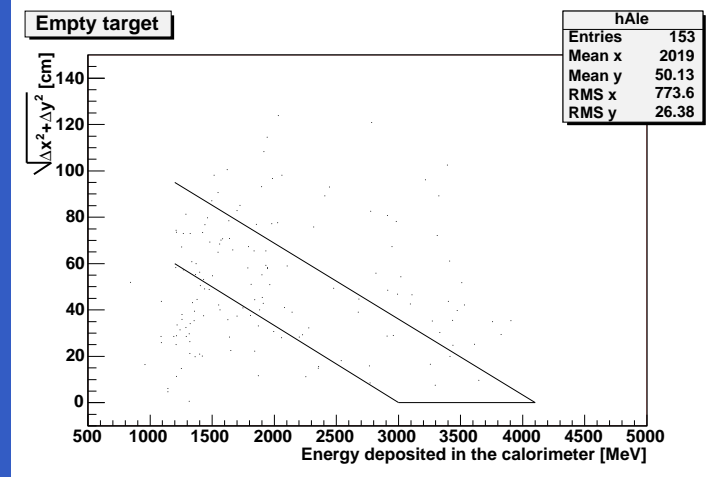
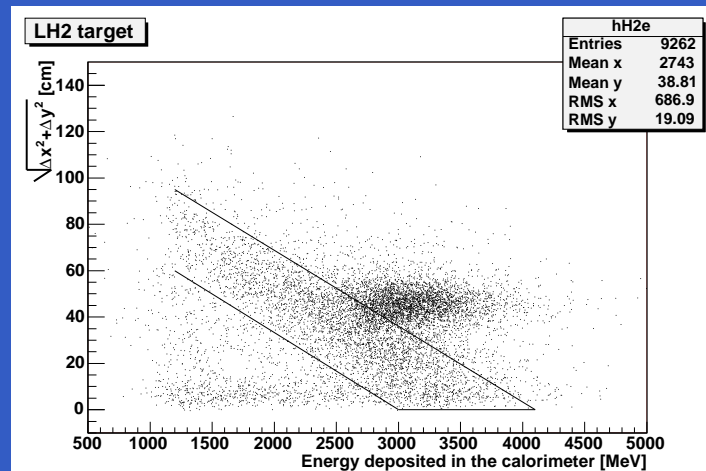
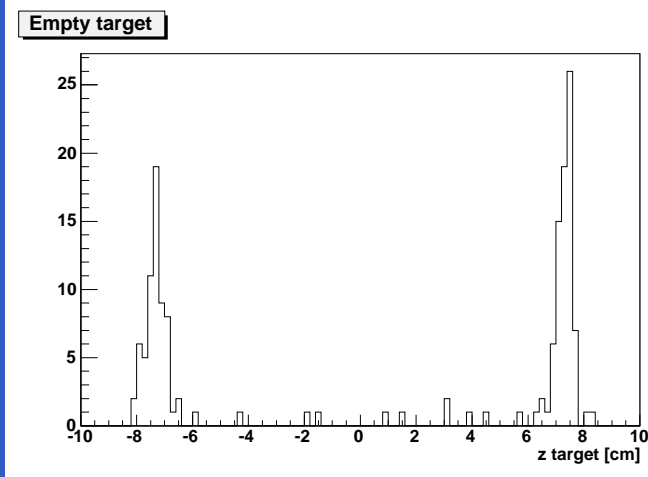
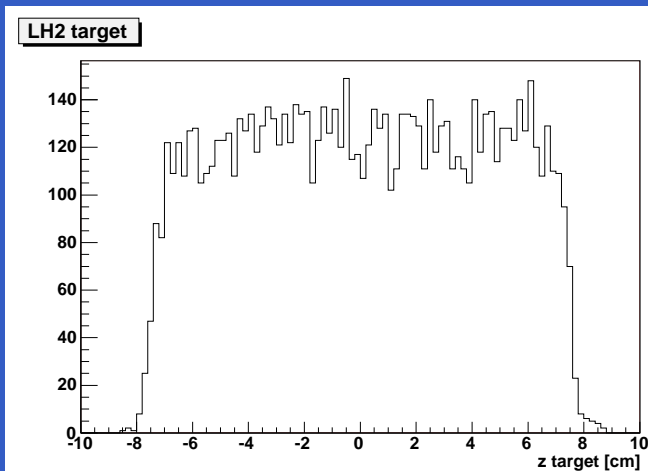


Magnet coils restrict access to range of angles: here the field direction is along the beam line.

## Leadglass event display



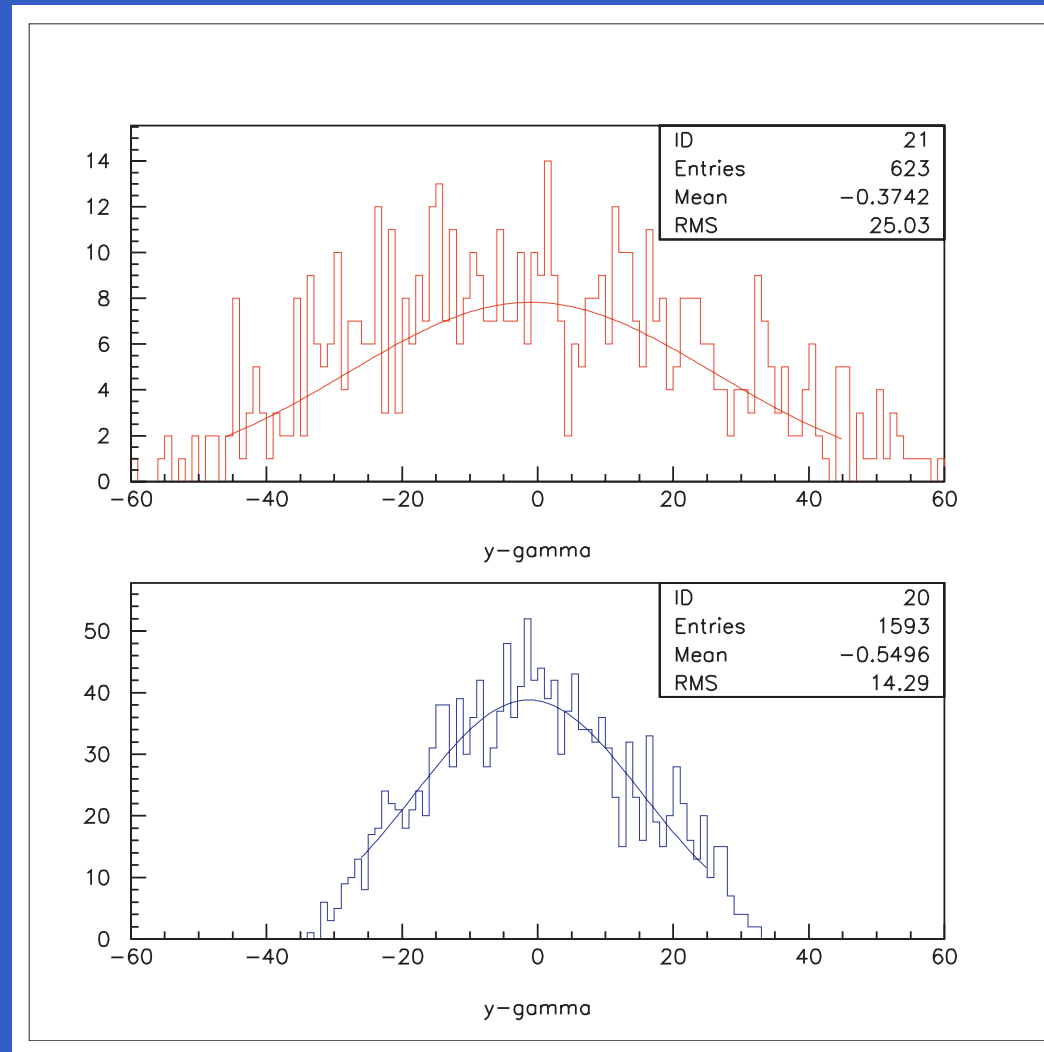
# Dilution from other materials - Hall A Al data



Run Number	Target	Charge Coulomb	Thickness g/cm <sup>2</sup>	Integrated e – N Luminosity	N <sub>pion</sub> and Electrons
2377	Al	0.065	0.54	$2.1 \cdot 10^{22}$	57 (total)
2390	LH2	0.040	1.13	$2.7 \cdot 10^{22}$	3635+4300

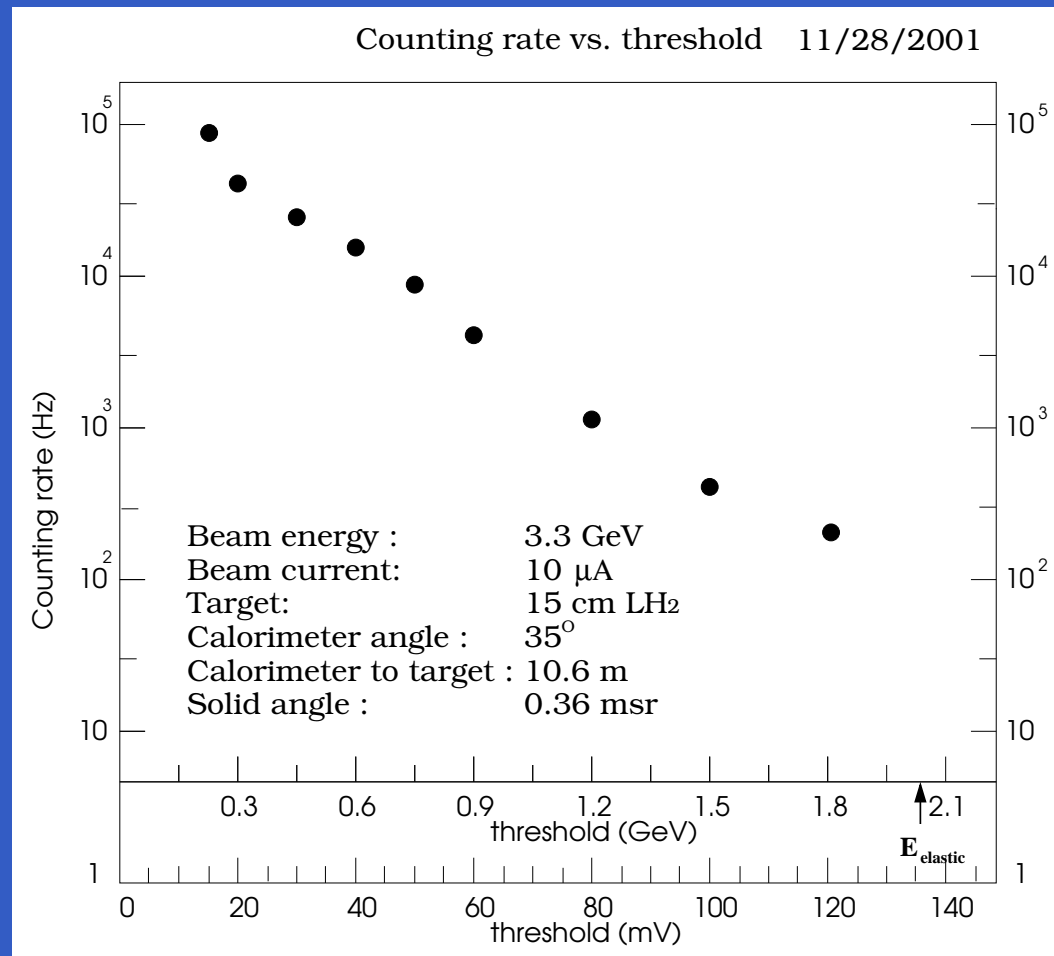
$$N_{\text{quasi}}/N_{\text{free}} \times (P_N + P_{\text{He}})/P_{\text{free}} = 0.02 \times (7 + 2.4)/3 \simeq 0.06$$

# Dilution from other materials - Simulation results



$$F = \frac{N_p^\pi}{N_{\text{free } p}^\pi} \times T_p \times T_\pi \times CL \times (P_N + P_{\text{He}})/P_{\text{free}} = \frac{1}{3.5} \times 0.55 \times 0.4 \times \frac{1}{2} \times (7 + 2.4)/3 \sim 0.10$$

# Rate test



# Miller approach compared to Huang et al.

## Miller

- constituent quark model
- soft physics embodied in wave function (power law)
- $m_q \simeq 350 \text{ MeV}$
- non-zero quark-helicity flip
- $\Rightarrow K_{LL} \neq A_{LL}$

## Huang *et al.*

- current quarks
- proton helicity flip non-zero
- $\Phi_2 = -\Phi_6$ ; double-flip amplitudes
- $\Phi_2, \Phi_6$  are non-zero with  $\alpha_s$  corrections, without both are zero.
- $\Rightarrow K_{LL} = A_{LL}$

Miller's quark helicity flip implies  $\Phi_2 \neq -\Phi_6$  even with  $\alpha_s$  corrections, and large compared to non-helicity flip